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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:
Donald V. Perino

Serial No.: 09/629,862

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For: *Apparatus and Method for
Operating a Master-Slave System
with a Clock Signal and a Separate
Phase Signal*

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003 for the above identified patent application.

Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003 be extended for a period of Three Months from December 10, 2003 to and including March 10, 2003. The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$950.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee(s) to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order no. 60809-0057). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

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